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PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT BASED ON FAILURE TO RECEIVE OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Abandonment mailed April 18, 2003, Applicants submit this petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment because the Office communication was not received by the attorney's representatives. What follows is a more detailed account of the filing and further evidence that the Office Action was never received.

Brief Explanation in Support of Petition

The Notice of Abandonment indicates that no reply was received in response to an Office letter mailed on October 2, 2002. To date, Applicants' current representatives have not received any correspondence directly from the Office for this matter. In addition, Applicants' representatives note that there is no evidence that the former representatives received the October 2, 2002 Office Action.

As required in MPEP § 711.03(c), Applicants' representatives attest that a search of the file jacket and docket records indicates that the Office communication was neither received directly from the Office nor received from the previous firm. Furthermore, a copy of the complete docket record for this application (where the non-received Office communication would have been entered had it been received) is attached herewith as Appendix A as further evidence that the Office action was not received. As illustrated, the docket is void of an Office

communication due to the fact that the communication was never received by Applicants' representatives. As such, Applicants were unable to respond to the Office communication.

Applicants filed a Revocation and Power of Attorney on March 20, 2002 (attached hereto as Appendix B), which reflected the change of representatives and correspondence address in this matter. Because several hundred files for U.S. and foreign patent applications, including the file for this matter, have been transferred from the former firm to the current firm, Applicants' former representatives regularly forward Office communications to the current representatives until instructions changing the correspondence address are carried out by the U.S. Patent Office. Moreover, delay in acknowledgment of the filed Revocation and Power of Attorney documents by the U.S. Patent Office has been quite common in these cases. Thus, instances where the Office does not appear to fully enter instructions of a Revocation and Power of Attorney, such as here where the correspondence address and attorney docket number do not appear to have been updated, are routinely addressed when Applicants' current representatives respond to Office communications requiring a response, such as an Office Action or, in this case, a Notice of Abandonment.

Immediately after receiving the Notice of Abandonment on May 15, 2003, Applicants' representatives confirmed from the docket and the file that the Office action was never received. A copy of the Notice of Abandonment with the date stamps of April 22, 2003 (previous firm) and May 15, 2003 (Applicants' current representatives) is attached herewith as Appendix C. In addition, the envelope used to send the Notice of Abandonment to Applicants' representatives is also included in Appendix C.

As discussed above, there is no evidence that would point to a conclusion that the Office action may have been lost after receipt rather than a conclusion that the Office action was lost in the mail. Neither the current representative nor the former firm has a history of not receiving Office actions.

The Revocation and Power of Attorney

As mentioned above, Applicants submitted a Revocation and Power of Attorney on March 20, 2002 indicating the change in representation and attorney docket number for this case, which is included as Appendix B. It appears that the attorney docket number and correspondence address remain unchanged. Applicants request that the change in representation, correspondence address, and attorney docket number be recorded and acknowledged.

Conclusion

For the reasons stated above, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the holding of abandonment. Should further information be required in order to act favorably to this petition, Applicants' representatives invite any such requests be made by telephone at the number provided below in order to expedite this matter.

No fee is believed to be due at this time. Should any fees be required, however, please charge such fees to Swidler Berlin Shereff Friedman, LLP Deposit Account No. 195127, Order No. 20002.0041.

Respectfully submitted, SWIDLER BERLIN SHEREFF FRIEDMAN, LLP

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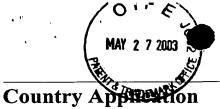
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APPENDIX A COPY OF DOCKET RECORD

A copy of the following document is attached:

a) Copy of complete docket record where non-received communication would have been docketed had it been received.



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APPENDIX B COPY OF REVOCATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FILED MARCH 20, 2002

A copy of the following documents are attached:

- a) Postcard stamped by USPTO on March 20, 2002;
- b) March 20, 2002 Revocation and Power of Attorney indicating change of respresentation and correspondence;
- c) Transmittal Form; and
- d) Copies of Assignment Documents.

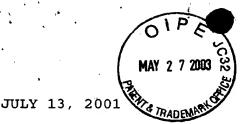




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- 3. Nature of conveyance:
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, WE, Manjari KUNTIMADDI, Shenshen WU, Kevin M. HARRIS, Murali RAJAGOPALAN, David A. BULPETT, and Mitchell E. LUTZ, ASSIGNORS, citizens of India, the United States, the United States, the United States, the United States, and the United States, respectively, residing at 1261 Church Street, #13, New Bedford, MA 02745, 334 Old Westport Road, North Dartmouth, MA 02747, 65 Ryan Street, New Bedford, MA 02740, 11 Flagship Drive, South Dartmouth, Westport Road, North Dartmouth, MA 02748, 45 East Springfield Street, Boston, MA 02118, and 55 Cedar Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719, respectively, are the invention in GOLF BALLS CONTAINING INTERPENETRATING POLYMER NETWORKS, for which we have executed an application for a Patent of the United States

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and WHEREAS, Acushnet Company, a corporation of the State of Delaware, having a place of business at 333 Bridge Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719-4900, ASSIGNEE is desirous of obtaining our entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention and the said application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said ASSIGNORS, have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, our entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention, and the said United States application and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Patents of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof; and all applications for industrial property protection, including, without limitation, all applications for patents, utility models, and designs which may hereafter be filed for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States, together with the right to file such applications and the right to claim for the same the priority rights derived from said United States application under the Patent Laws of the United States, the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, or any other international agreement or the domestic laws of the country in which any such application is filed, as may be applicable; and all forms of industrial property protection, including, without limitation, patents, utility models, inventors' certificates and designs which may be granted for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof;

AND WE HEREBY authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents or other evidence or forms of industrial property protection on applications as aforesaid, to issue the same to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE HEREBY covenant and agree that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND WE HEREBY further covenant and agree that we will communicate to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing, reissue and foreign applications, make all rightful oaths, and generally do everything possible to aid the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We hercunto set our hands and seals the day and year set opposite our respective signatures.

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On April 12, 2002001, before me, John L. Fernandes , Notary Public, personally appeared Manjari KUNTIMADDI , personally known to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

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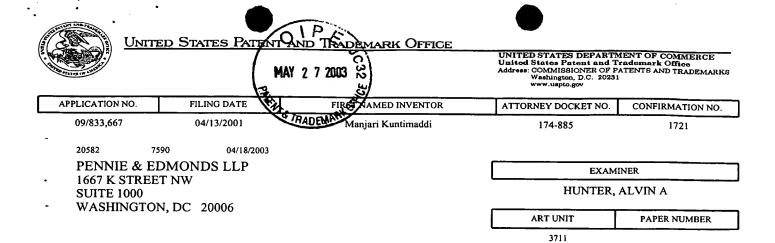


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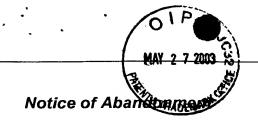
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This application is abandoned in view of:
 Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on <u>02 October 2002</u>. (a) A reply was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of month(s)) which expired on
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2. Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
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The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$ The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d), is \$
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